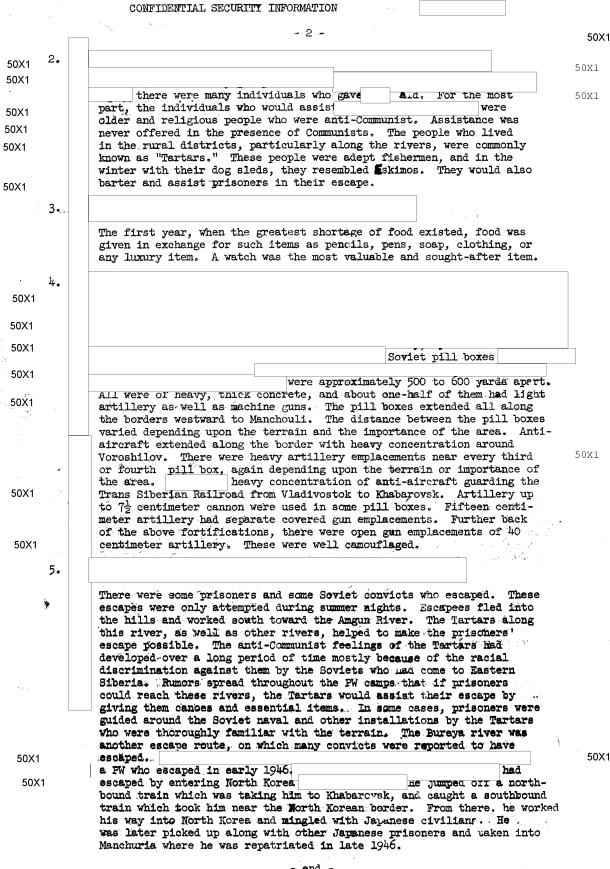
Declassified in Part - Sanitized Copy Approved for Release @ 50-Yr 2014/11/04 : CIA-RDP82-00047R000300040005-8 CLASSIFICATION CONFIDENTIAL SEGURITY INFORMATION CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY INFORMATION REPORT USSR DATE DISTR. 3 JUN COUNTRY Attitude of Natives/Border Fortifications/ **SUBJECT** NO. OF PAGES Prisoner Escape Routes NO. OF ENCLS. PLACE ACQUIRED 50X1 SUPPLEMENT TO ACQUIRED REPORT. NO. 50X1 DATE OF INFORMATION 50X1 THIS IS UNEVALUATED INFORMATION 50X1 50X1 When the Japanese PW's first arrived in Siberia [fall 1945], the native civilians were very curious and assumed an attitude of slight superiority. They were very friendly, however, and unhesitatingly asked and answered many questions, but after a few months, became very indifferent toward the prisoners. It was very obvious that the civilians, along with the 50X1 military, were well trained in the indoctrination program. at Dohf Camp No. 5/101, children had translations of many US books. After mid-1946, all of 50X1 these books disappeared. Also, translations of US books had disappeared from the traveling libraries that came twice a month from Komsomolsk for the use of all Soviet citizens (even their 50X1 convicts). The indoctrination program was timed to commence with the beginning 50X1 of the Friend's Club and was intensified when the Democratic Group later replaced the Friend's Club. There was close coordination between the military and the civilians. The civilians stressed the following point: "Now you are our allies against the US and against all such things as capitalism and spiritualism, which the US stands for; together, we can present a strong enough force to overcome the US so that Japan will once more take its place in the world." By the end of 1946, the civilians placed a great deal of trust in the FW's and some prisoners were even given keys by the camp guards. This along with other incidents, was to convey the thought that the PW's must ally themselves with the Soviets. CLASSIFICATION CONFIDENTIAL/SECURITY INFORMATION DISTRIBUTION



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